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SUBJ: LATEST REACTION TO CYPRUS EVENTS

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1. DURING PAST SEVERAL DAYS PRESS HAS HEADLINED REPORTS ON CYPRUS SITUATION, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO TURKISH INVASION AND DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY AT UN. MAJORITY OF REPORTS ARE CARRIED FROM INTERNATIONAL WIRE SERVICES. TODAY'S PRESS AND RADIO CARRIED ANNOUNCEMENT OF CEASEFIRE AND MEETINGS BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER AND ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS. ARTICLE INMAGYAR HIRLAP CLAIMED SECRETARY "TRYING TO MAKE CONTRIBUTION TO CEASEFIRE APPEAR AS OWN DIPLOMATIC SUCCESS..."

2. HUNGARIAN MTI NEWS SERVICE JULY 20 CHARGED THAT "US DIPLOMACY IS PERCEPTIBLY PLAYING FOR TIME, PRESUMABLY
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IN ORDER TO LEAVE TIME FOR CONSOLIDATION OF FAIT ACCOMPLI

CREATED BY PUTSCHISTS..." ARTICLE ADDED THAT US SEARCHING FOR COMPROMISE PERSONALITY TO HEAD CYPRUS SO AS TO "SANCTION THE TACIT GREEK-TURKISH CONDOMINIUM".

3. PARTY DAILY NEPSZABADSAG JULY 20 CARRIED INTERVIEW QUOTING AKEL CC MEMBER PANOSZ PEONIDISZ SAYING THAT WEEK BEFORE COUP PARTY HAD INFORMATION CONCERNING GREEK OFFICERS' INTENTIONS.

4. JULY 21 MAGYAR NEMZET CONTAINS ARTICLE BY ENDRE GOMORI STATING THAT, AT MOMENT, US GOAL IS TO FORMALLY MAINTAIN INDEPENDENCE OF REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS WHILE SUPPORTING "DEVELOPMENT OF FASCIST SYSTEM ON ISLAND WHICH WOULD DESTROY NEUTRAL DIRECTION OF FORMER GOVERNMENT AND WITH USE OF BRUTAL TERROR MAKE CYPRUS MORE STABLE ATLANTIC BASE".

5. GREEK CHARGE TOLD EMBOFF THAT MFA MIDDLE-LEVEL OFFICIAL CALLED HIM IN JULY 19 AND READ TEXT OF GOH STATEMENT ON CYPRUS. PROTEST WAS FOLLOWED BY COFFEE AND PLEASANTRIES BY MFA OFFICIALS.

6. COMMENT: HIGH MFA OFFICIALS, INCLUDING DEPUTY FONMIN NAGY, INCREASINGLY TAKING LINE WITH NATO, NONALIGNED AND NEUTRAL DIPLOMATS THAT GOH IN POSSESSION WEEK BEFORE OF INFORMATION GREECE PLANNED OUSTER OF MAKARIOS THROUGH COUP.
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